



BOARD OF GOVERNORS -- PUBLIC MEETING
4:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 28, 2015
MINUTES

PRESENT:

Board Members:

Lougheed, Joe, Chair
Brannan, John, Vice Chair
Cowley, Ian
Crossett, Andrew
Culbert, Heather
Langlois, Sophia
Leslie, Bruce
MacPhail, Keith
Ramsay, Doug
Roberts, Amanda
Ross, David
Russell, Thane
Stock, Jared
Stroobant, Richard
Upright, Randy

Resource:

King, Wayne, CFO, Senior Vice President
MacDonald, Maureen, Assoc. VP, Communications and Marketing
Michaud, Greg, Interim VP Academic
Zahavich, Alex, VP, Corporate Development and Applied Research

Golding, Marilyn, Executive Assistant

GUESTS:

Read, Rosemary, Chair, AUPE Local 39
Mullings, Tanya, Secretary, AUPE Local 39

REGRETS:

Demosky, Bart

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. REVIEW AGENDA

There were no additions made and the agenda was approved as presented.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

That the Board approves the following items within the Consent Agenda:

- (a) Board of Governors Public Meeting – Minutes of November 18, 2014

MOTION:

That the Board of Governors approves the Consent Agenda as submitted.

Moved: T. Russell
Seconded: J. Brannan
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PAST MINUTES – NO BUSINESS ARISING

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Board Chair Joe Lougheed commented on the November 18, 2014 Constituents Group Reception saying there was an excellent turnout and thanks to all Board members who attended. Incredibly well done.
- He acknowledged the December 4, 2014 Board Christmas Gala at the Aero Centre. Retired Board Chair Bill Lingard was acknowledged, along with retiring Board members Gary Bentham and Wayne Henuset. Unfortunately retiring Board member Paul Storwick was unable to attend. As Joe was unable to be in attendance that evening, he asked John to comment. John Brannan said it was a good opportunity to recognize past Board members and the contributions they made. He thought the meal was outstanding; attendees were given a great tour and enjoyed being able to talk to the students and faculty members. A fabulous event all around.
- The 2015 Board Strategic Planning session took place last Friday with an almost perfect attendance from the Board. Joe thought it went well and that the SAIT team did a great job. Joe opened the floor for comments and a discussion took place.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ross reported on the following items:

- Congratulations to Jared Stock who was recognized by the Calgary Herald as a Compelling Calgarian for 2015.

- SAIT started another apprentice program – a Mobile Crane and Boom Truck Operator. There is currently a big demand in Calgary for this skilled trade position.
- David attended the Borderless Education Roundtable sponsored by the Canadian Public Policy Forum in Ottawa
- The President and fellow Board member Randy Upright also participated in a National Strategy Group just before Christmas. David noted there were many connections with leadership from the PMO's office down. Randy commented that this was a fantastic opportunity to present to senior leaders as well as federal department members. In addition talks took place regarding the necessity to create a national skills bank.
- Business leaders engaging our students, as requested by the Board. Over the past year, SAIT has had 357 industry leaders energizing our students across all programming.

7. SAITSA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Pride Day will take place Wednesday, February 11; Mental Health Conference on campus, Sexual Awareness Day on Tuesday, February 10; there will be a second Leadership event coming in March; John Brannan spoke at the first one and it was very well attended.
- Elections coming up for new Executive Council and new Students' Legislative Council in March.
- This year's Christmas Adopt-a-Family was a success, with all 44 families being adopted.
- The Governance and Advocacy department will be hiring a few new research assistants.
- A Strategic Planning Session with the Students' Legislative Council was held. An update of values and strategic goals was completed and discussion on decreasing student fees was an important topic.
- First period Apprentice Pre-Orientation Information Session – VP Academic of SAITSA supplied food and interacted to engage with apprentice students.
- DeStress Fest went really well; over 500 students were contacted and provided with healthy food.
- The Food bank continues to grow with strong support from faculty.

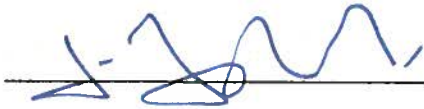
8. ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The minutes of the Academic Council meetings held October 14, 2014 and November 18, 2014 were reviewed. These documents were included in the meeting package forwarded prior to the meeting. There were no questions or concerns raised.

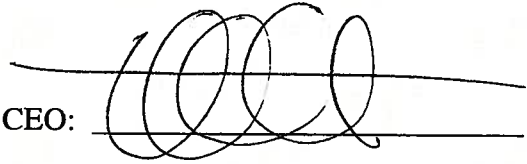
The next Public meeting of the Board of Governors will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Chair:



President and CEO:



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May 6, 2015